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D.O. SBM/AS-40/2017

Date: 20th April, 2017

Sub: 'Open Defecation Free' (ODF) - Recertification Process

Dear Sir,

As you are aware, Ministry of Urban Development is implementing Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) Urban with a goal to make the country clean and open defecation free(ODF) by 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

- 2. Till date we have 619 ULBs certified as ODF by Quality Council of India (QCI). Out of these ULBs, 205 ULBs are due for ODF recertification as their 6 month certificate validity period has lapsed.
- 3. Recertification processes will only follow on-field verification but QCI team will also verify the SBM portal to see if the city has uploaded their data related with IHHL, CT and PT. Please refer DO letter number SB/SBM/029/2017 dated 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2017 with regard to amendment to protocol for ODF declaration. This norm was introduced in March, 2017 and cities certified ODF before introduction of this norm were not assessed on the above criteria.

We thank you for your support and wish you all the best in your accelerated journey towards ODF status.

With sincere regards

Yours sincerely,

To:

Mission Directors of all States/UTs

Copy to:

- 1. Municipal Commissioners of all cities
- 2. PPS to Secretary (UD)
- 3. Additional Mission Director (SBM)
- 4. Secretary General, QCI
- 5. CPHEEO
- 6. Section

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